S. 509, to authorize a major medical facility project at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Walla Walla, Washington. Signed on November 11, 2009. (Public Law 111–98)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the United States child nutrition programs, focusing on opportunities to fight hunger and improve child health, 10:30 a.m., SD–562.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine protecting consumers from overdraft fees, focusing on the Fairness and Accountability in Receiving Overdraft Coverage Act, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine aggressive sales tactics on the Internet and their impact on American consumers, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the international aspects of global climate change, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United States counterterrorism priorities and strategy across Africa's Sahel region, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1524, to strengthen the capacity, transparency, and accountability of United States foreign assistance programs to effectively adapt and respond to new challenges of the 21st century, S. 2727, to provide for continued application of arrangements under the Protocol on Inspections and Continuous Monitoring Activities Relating to the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms in the period following the Protocol's termination on December 5, 2009, S. 1739, to promote freedom of the press around the world, S. 1067, to support stabilization and lasting peace in northern Uganda and areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army through development of a regional strategy to support multilateral efforts to successfully protect civilians and eliminate the threat posed by the Lord's Resistance Army and to authorize funds for humanitarian relief and reconstruction, reconciliation, and transitional justice, S. Res. 341, supporting peace, security, and innocent civilians affected by conflict in Yemen, S. Res. 345, deploring the rape and assault of women in Guinea and the killing of political protesters, H. Con. Res. 36, calling on the President and the allies of the United States to raise in all appropriate bilateral and multilateral for the case of Robert Levinson at every opportunity, urging Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance to the family of Robert Levinson,

and calling on Iran to share the results of its investigation into the disappearance of Robert Levinson with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Hague Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance, adopted at The Hague on November 23, 2007, and signed by the United States on that same date (Treaty Doc.110-21), Protocol Amending the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed at Paris on August 21, 1994, as Amended by the Protocol signed on December 8, 2004, signed January 13, 2009, at Paris, together with a related Memorandum of Understanding, signed January 13, 2009 (Treaty Doc.111-04), the nominations of Jose W. Fernandez, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs, William E. Kennard, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, John F. Tefft, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Michael C. Polt, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, Cynthia Stroum, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, David Huebner, of California, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Samoa, Robert R. King, of Virginia, to be Special Envoy on North Korean Human Rights Issues, with the rank of Ambassador, Peter Alan Prahar, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, Frederick D. Barton, of Maine, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Representative on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and Carmen Lomellin, of Virginia, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, all of the Department of State, James LaGarde Hudson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and any pending calendar business, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the United States and the G–20, focusing on remaking the international economic architecture, 3 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine H1N1 flu, focusing on getting the vaccine to where it is needed most, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine cybersecurity, focusing on preventing terrorist attacks and protecting privacy in cyberspace, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: November 19, to hold hearings to examine financial regulatory reform, focusing on protecting taxpayers and the economy, 10 a.m., 210, Cannon Building.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 17 through November 21, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 11 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 3082, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, vote on or in relation to certain amendments, and passage of the bill; following which, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of David F. Hamilton, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: November 17, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the United States child nutrition programs, focusing on opportunities to fight hunger and improve child health, 10:30 a.m., SD–562.

November 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reforming the United States financial market regulation; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of Jill Long Thompson, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Armed Services: November 19, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Clifford L. Stanley, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, and Erin C. Conaton, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, both of the Department of Defense, and Lawrence G. Romo, of Texas, to be Director of the Selective Service, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: November 17, to hold hearings to examine protecting consumers from overdraft fees, focusing on the Fairness and Accountability in Receiving Overdraft Coverage Act, 3 p.m., SD–538.

November 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled "Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2009", 10 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: November 17, to hold hearings to examine aggressive sales tactics on the Internet and their impact on American consumers, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

November 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mark R. Rosekind, of California, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Scott Boyer Quehl, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Secretary, and to be Chief Financial Officer, and Suresh Kumar, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, Philip E. Coyle, III, of California, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Anthony R. Coscia, of New Jersey, and Albert DiClemente, of Delaware, both to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

November 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 592, to implement the recommendations of the Federal Communications Commission report to the Congress regarding low-power FM service, S. 850, to amend the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to improve the conservation of sharks, S. 1224, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, S. 2764, to reauthorize the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reuathorization Act of 2004, and S. 2768, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2010 through 2014, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: November 17, to hold hearings to examine the international aspects of global climate change, 10 a.m., SD–366.

November 18, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine managing Federal forests in response to climate change, focusing on natural resource adaptation and carbon sequestration, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

November 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine environmental stewardship policies related to offshore energy production, 10:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: November 18, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled "Economic Development Revitalization Act of 2009", 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: November 19, to hold hearings to examine United States preference programs, focusing on options for reform, 10 a.m., SD-215.

November 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mary John Miller, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary, and Charles Collyns, of Maryland, to be Deputy Under Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: November 17, Sub-committee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United States counterterrorism priorities and strategy across Africa's Sahel region, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

November 17, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1524, to strengthen the capacity, transparency, and accountability of United States foreign assistance programs to effectively adapt and respond to new challenges of the 21st century, S. 2727, to provide for continued application of arrangements under the Protocol